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10. USSR- EASTERN EUROPE: WITHDRAWALS, REDUCTIONS CONTINUE [REDACTED]

THE PACE OF SOVIET DRAWDOWNS IN THE ATLANTIC-TO-THE-URALS (ATTU) ZONE INDICATES MOSCOW WILL SATISFY BOTH THE GOALS GORBACHEV ANNOUNCED IN LATE 1988 AND ITS BILATERAL COMMITMENTS TO BUDAPEST AND PRAGUE. THE TRANSFER OF EQUIPMENT TO SITES EAST OF THE URALS INDICATES MOSCOW HAS ALREADY BEGUN RESTRUCTURING ITS FORCES FOR THE POST-CFE ENVIRONMENT. [REDACTED]

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THE SOVIET FORCE WITHDRAWALS FROM CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND HUNGARY WILL BE COMPLETED BY NEXT JULY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH BILATERAL AGREEMENTS SIGNED THIS SPRING. MOSCOW PROBABLY WILL WITHDRAW AT LEAST TWO TANK DIVISIONS FROM EASTERN GERMANY THIS FALL, BUT THE REMOVAL OF ALL SOVIET UNITS AND MATERIEL REMAINING THERE WILL POSE SERIOUS PROBLEMS FOR THE GERMAN TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM, AS WELL AS FOR THE SOVIETS' ABILITY TO ABSORB THE PERSONNEL AND DEPENDENTS. MOSCOW HAS AGREED TO THE REMOVAL OF ALL ITS FORCES FROM EASTERN GERMANY BY 1995.

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